

REMARKS

Amendments to the specification have been made to address typographical errors and/or omissions.

Claims 1-41 were originally submitted.

Claims 1, 5, 14, 19, 26, 30, 36, 40 and 41 have been cancelled without prejudice.

Claims 3, 8, 13, 16, 21, 28, 29, 33, 34, 38, and 39 are objected to; however, the Office has indicated that they would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and intervening claims. Claims 3, 8, 13, 16, 21, 28, 29, 33, 34, 38 and 39 have been appropriately amended to place them in condition for allowance.

Claims 2, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 15, 17, 18, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 31, 32, 35, and 37 have been amended to depend upon allowable claims, and therefore are in condition for allowance.

Claims 2-4, 6-13, 15-18, 20-25, 27-29, 31-35, and 37-39 remain in this application.

35 U.S.C. §112

Claim 9 is rejected under 35 USC § 112 as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter for which the applicant regards as the invention. Applicant traverses the rejection.

Applicant presents that the claim 9 is particularly directed to a network printing system as recited in base claim 13 from which claim 9 depends. The network printing system performs the "utilizing one or more fewer print tokens ..." as further recited by claim 9. The network printing system is described Fig. 1 as network printing system 100 in the specification. Applicant respectfully requests that the §112 rejection of claim 9 be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

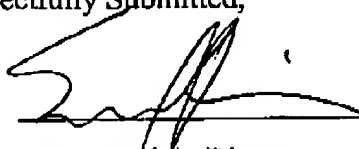
All pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and prompt issuance of the subject application. If any issues remain that prevent issuance of this application, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned attorney before issuing a subsequent Action.

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